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FOIA Case: 80737B
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Dear Ms. Rogers:

This is an interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 23 March 2015 for "Any and all closing reports from the NSA Inspector General investigations of NSA employees including the words "pornography," "pornographic," and/or "porn," from the past two years." As previously provided, your request was assigned Case Number 80737.

In previous correspondence, dated 21 February 2019, we informed you that material responsive to your request was located in similar FOIA Case 85643, which is currently under litigation. We have reviewed and processed two documents in case 85643 that are also responsive to your request. Since this material has been requested by multiple individuals, we have posted it to our public website, www.nsa.gov. You can find the material at the following URL:

<https://www.nsa.gov/news-features/declassified-documents/ig-reports/>

The two specific documents responsive to your request are NSA IG Reports IV-14-0063 and IV-15-0026. Certain information has been deleted from the documents, as explained below.

Some of the information deleted from the documents was found to be currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 13526. This information meets the criteria for classification as set forth in subparagraph (c) of Section 1.4 and remains classified SECRET as provided in Section 1.2 of the Executive Order. The information is classified because its disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause serious damage to the national security. Because the information is currently and properly classified, it is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the first exemption of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)(1).

This Agency is authorized by various statutes to protect certain information concerning its activities as well as names of its employees. Accordingly, those portions are exempt from disclosure pursuant to the third exemption of the FOIA, which provides for the withholding of information specifically protected from disclosure by

statute. The specific statute applicable in this case is Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 3605). We have determined that such information exists in these documents and we have redacted it accordingly.

Additionally, personal information regarding individuals has been deleted from the documents in accordance with the sixth exemption of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(6). This exemption protects from disclosure information that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. In balancing the public interest for the information you request against the privacy interests involved, we have determined that the privacy interests sufficiently satisfy the requirements for the application of the (b)(6) exemption.

You may appeal this decision. If you decide to appeal, you should do so in the manner outlined below. NSA will endeavor to respond within 20 working days of receiving any appeal, absent any unusual circumstances.

- The appeal must be sent via U.S. postal mail, fax, or electronic delivery (e-mail) and addressed to:

NSA/CSS FOIA/PA Appeal Authority (P132)
National Security Agency
9800 Savage Road STE 6932
Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-6932

The facsimile number is 443-479-3612.

The appropriate email address to submit an appeal is FOIARSC@nsa.gov.

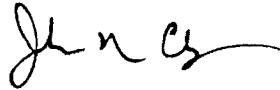
- It must be postmarked or delivered electronically no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Decisions appealed after 90 days will not be addressed.
- Please include the case number provided above.
- Please describe with sufficient detail why you believe the denial of requested information was unwarranted.

You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison at foialo@nsa.gov for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Rd- OGIS
College Park, MD 20740
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877-684-6448
(Fax) 202-741-5769

Please be advised that we continue to review additional material responsive to your request, and will address that material in a future response to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Chapman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent part.

JOHN R. CHAPMAN
Chief, FOIA/PA Office
FOIA Public Liaison Officer